## RESOLUTION NUMBER 27

WHEREAS, the month of May is recognized in the State of Missouri and the City of St. Louis as "Foster Parent Month"; and

WHEREAS, more than 1300 children from the City of St. Louis live in foster care; and

WHEREAS, one of our community's most outstanding foster parents is Emily Nienhuis who has opened her home and shared her life with more than 7 foster children in the last six years; and

WHEREAS, Emily exemplifies the dedication and commitment of foster parents in this community who provide foster children a warm home, nutritious meals, clean clothes and someone to love and care for them; and

WHEREAS, Emily's generosity and devotion to her children will continue to benefit this community for many years to come as the children she cares for today, who so greatly benefit from her loving care, grow into the community leaders of tomorrow;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOL VED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations, as we begin Foster Parent Month, to recognize and thank Emily Nienhuis who has provided such wonderful care and support for the children of the City of St. Louis and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 4th day of May, 2007 by:

## Honorable April Ford Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward

Adopted this the 4th day of May, 2007 as attested by:

Donna A. Booker Lewis E. Reed

Assistant Clerk, Board of Aldermen President, Board of Aldermen